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These footnotes to the week's news were gathered by reporters of The Washington Post:

Connecticut Democrats are putting increasing pressure on Democratic National Chairman John M. Bailey to give up his national post and concentrate on politics in his home state.

The pressure has intensified since Democrats in Hartford, Bailey's home town, lost control of the City Council to a coalition of four Republicans and three dissident Democrats who charged that Bailey denied them patronage. State party leaders also were urging Bailey to come home for Gov. John N. Dempsey's reelection campaign.

Bailey has been state party chairman since 1946 and National Chairman since January, 1961.

Another change is impending at the Central Intelligence Agency. Ray Cline, who has held the top post of the intelligence side of CIA, is expected to return to an overseas post. Agency officials say it would be a normal change after four years here and that it has nothing to do with the much rumored dissatisfaction within CIA and the Administration at the performance of Adm. William F. Raborn, the new CIA chief.

Senate colleagues of Sen. Eugene Morse (D-Ore.) got

a chuckle out of the following headline bannered recently by the Eugene (Ore.) Register Guard:

"Sen. Morse Has No Word on U.S.-Vietnam Policy."

During the last session of Congress they say that probably no Senator spoke often, or with more emotion, on the Vietnam issue.

A story from New Delhi, published under the headline, quoted Morse as informing a delegation of students:

"My Ambassador speaks for me when I am abroad."

With Pentagon chiefs scattered over the globe over the New Year's weekend, the question arose as to who tending the store as Acting Secretary of Defense.

Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara flew to Aspen, Colo., Friday afternoon to resume his skiing vacation. Deputy Secretary Cyrus R. Vance already was skin-diving in Florida, due to return late Sunday. Army Secretary Stanley R. Resor and Air Force Secretary Harold Brown were in Vietnam.

Navy Secretary Paul Nitze, high on the list of succession, was in New York, but returned New Year's Eve. Next in line, Director of Defense Research and Engineering John Foster, was in Puerto Rico. Next in line to him was Assistant Sec-

retary of Defense (Public Affairs) Arthur Sylvester. Sylvester, most senior of the assistant secretaries, was here and would be Acting Secretary of Defense until Nitze's return, some officials said.

But a written inquiry to the Pentagon information office, to clarify the situation, produced this Pentagonese answer:

"Secretary McNamara and Deputy Secretary Vance are in constant touch with each other and the various departments and services. They will continue to perform their functions from their respective locations similar to the method used by the President when he is away from Washington. Those Defense Department officials who are in the area will continue to function within their areas of responsibility."

When Vice President Humphrey arrived in Seoul, South Korea, over the week-

end he got out of his car ready to shake hands.

"He's looking for a camel driver," commented one press observer referring to then Vice President Johnson's famous invitation to a Pakistani camel driver in Karachi in 1961.

As far as was known, Humphrey extended no private invitations in Seoul.

Sen. Maurine Neuberger (D-Ore.), who in private life is Mrs. Philip Solomon, is considering embarking on an entirely new vocation when she retires from the Senate at the close of this session.

She tells friends that what she really would like to do, more than anything else, is teach political science. After 15 years in state and national politics few political pros know more about it.

Dr. and Mrs. Solomon will make their home in Newton Center, a suburb of Boston and right in the middle of the Ivy League collegiate complex.